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Remarks

The Office Action mailed July 24, 2003, and the Advisory Action mailed November 18, 2003, have been received and reviewed. Claims 36, 37 and 39 have been cancelled, without prejudice. Therefore, the pending claims are claims 27-35 and 38.

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the allowance of claims 27-35 and 38. The remaining claims, 36, 37 and 39, are cancelled. Please note also that claim 38 has been amended to correct an informality by deleting the recitation of "m is 1, 2, 3, or 4" as the substituent "m" is not part of the claimed chemical structure.

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It is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representatives, at the below-listed telephone number, if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted for
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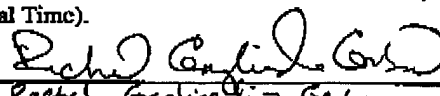
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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR §1.8:

The undersigned hereby certifies that the Transmittal Letter and the paper(s), as described hereinabove, are being transmitted by facsimile in accordance with 37 CFR §1.6(d) to the Patent and Trademark Office, addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop AF, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 16th day of December, 2003, at 4:08 p.m. (Central Time).

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